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Legal Attaché, Madrid (109-20) (RUC)

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Re Madrid letter 5-10-62 and Miami letter Top Banchers to the Bureau 6-7-62.

As stated in Madrid letter of 5-10-62, pertinent information regarding subject was furnished the local station of CIA.

Reference Miami letter to the Bureau reflects that subject proceeded to Mexico prior to the time Russian official MIKOYAN arrived in Mexico from Cuba and was in contact with who Miami informant stated was reported to work for the U. S. Embassy in Mexico City. It is the recollection of Legat, Madrid, that was assigned to the American Emblassy in Mexico and handled Cubans Vyu

It would appear (that CIA) completely aware of subject's activities and possible intentions to defect.

In view of the above, no further action appears necessary by the Madrid Office, and this matter is considered RUC.

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made a trip to "Closter", Switzerland, for AVIGNON in 8/60 to obtain info about some student conference, but TEPEDINO was delayed in leaving and due to a mixup the person he was supposed to contact upon arrival there did not show up, so the trip was not a success.

TEPEDINO stated that, as mentioned above, he will cooperate in any way he can, but he does not want STEWART to to think he is doing something behind STEWART should learn of any proposed plan. He was told that the info that he furnished would be made available to the proper Federal Government agencies and his request concerning STEWART would also be furnished at the same time and that he would be advised should additional info be needed.

He stated that any additional info coming to his attention would be immediately furnished.

TEPEDINO stated that he and MM 761-S had known each other a long time and that since (MM 761-S) lived in Miami and TEPEDINO was returning to New York City he would furnish (W) any info to (MM 761-S) who would, in turn, notify the FBI.

CUBELA, he told TEPEDINO that he had been questioned by the FBI in connection with his own previous activities on several occasions in the past and would be able to make contact with the FBI in such a manner that the info could be passed to the proper U. S. Government agency with the precaution taken to protect TEPEDINO and not risk jeopardizing CUBELA's chances for escaping Cuba).

Lipp, Inc., New York City and Corletto, Inc., Milano (Ttaly) "16/5 showing a business address of 31 West 47th St., New York 36, N. Y. Whone Judson 6-4622, on which he wrote his home phone of TW 7-9843, and his home address \$ 98-19-64 Ave., Rego Park, Queens, L. I., N.Y. (W)





Info copies are designated for New York, Washington Field and San Juan Offices because of their interest in current Cuban matters. Three extra copies are designated for the Bureau for transmittal to the Legats, Paris, Bern and Madrid.

For the additional info of the Bureau and Legat, Paris, TEFEDINO asked whom he should contact in the event of the receipt of emergency info while he was in Paris. He was advised that it would be best to go to the American Embassy and talk to someone in the Legal Attache's Office. TEPEDINO was not given any info indicating any connection between the Bureau and the Legal Attache.

Prior to his departure for Europe, 6/22/62 TEPEDINO can be contacted through the above home telephone TW 7-9843. Subsequent to that date, he can be reached through the address B. ROSENBLATT, 20, Chetrevise, Paris, phone TA 1-17438.

Miami indices are negative refrEPEDINO: however, CIA, by letter classified SECRET, dated 10/27/59, furnished info under the title "Cuban Government Agents Operating in the United States" (forwarded by Bureau letter 11/10/59, captioned, Report of Cuban Intelligence Agents in the United States, IS - CUBA). This communication from CIA alleged that a "fairly reliable source" in Cuba reported that MM 761-S had the reputation of being a jewel singgler with an outlet in Havana in the Diadema Jewelry Store WHis Havana (X) Hilton was named as CARLOS TOPEDINO. MM 761-S) in 1/60, explained that CARLOS TEPEDINO pperated the LaDiadema, w wholesalekjewelry house in Havana and they had been friends until (MM 761-S) was imprisoned by the BATISTA Government as a result of his participation in 1957 attack on Cuban Presidential Palace. TEPEDINO efused to help the wife of MM 761-S. As a result, MM 751-S severed all contact with TEPEDINO and became very angry with him. Although angry, MM 761-S emphatically stated TEPEDINO was a legitimate wholesale jeweler and was not engaged in illegal activities. (Miami report of SA THOMAS H. ERRION, (3/4/60; captioned RICARDO MADAN RIVAS, IS - CUBA, Bufile 97-3993)



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ROLANDO L. CUBELA y SECADES

IS - CUBA

Re Paris letter 8/22/62.

Instant matter was discussed with
Assistant Chief, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), Paris,
on October 23, 1962. He advised that no information of
interest to the Bureau has been obtained by CIA, Paris, (Yu)
Bureau's interest and in the event they are aware of the
information of interest it will be furnished to this

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PLANS TO ASSASSIRATE CUBAN LEADERS

On June 2, 1965, Victor Domindador Espinosa Hernandez, a Cuban refugee, was interviewed at the New York City Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Espinosa advised as follows:

On May 29, 1965, he returned to New York City after spending twenty-six days in Paris, France, where he was in contact with individuals involved in a plot to assassinate Fidel Castro and other Cuban Government leaders. figure in this plot is Rolando Cubela, a close friend of Espinosa and an intimate friend and current neighbor of Fidel Castro. Cubela is identical with former Major Rolando L. Cubela y Secades, who has resigned from the armed forces of Cuba and is now practicing medicine in Havana. Alberto Blanco, an employee of the Cuban Foreign Ministry, and Major Juan Almeida Bosque are the other leading figures in this plot.

He conferred in Paris for about ten days with Alberto Blanco who was then on an inspection tour of Cuban Embassies and Consulates abroad. He learned that the plot is directed toward the assassination of Fidel Castro, his brother Raul Castro, Ernesto "Che" Guevara, a Cabinet, member in the present Cuban Government, and Ramiro Valdes, the Chief of the Cuban Intelligence Service. The assassination of these individuals is to take place in public, possibly on July 26, 1965, when all the Cuban leaders would be together at the annual July 26th celebration in Havana. After the assassination, those involved in the plot hope to seize the radio station and call for American help. Cubela and others associated with him in this plot desire to know whether or not the United States would help if the plot was successful and if 105-131629

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the United States would be ready to give this assistance at a moment's notice as the plotters may be able to hold the Covernment for only a day or two.

He was in Spain for about twenty hours during his	C
recent trip and in that country he contacted other Cuban (5)	ANI
exiles and learned that a man named who is in 5 C/	gices 1
is aware of this plot to a cortain degree. The Cuban exiles	5)
do not trust and allege he has been compromised(S)	
My a Cuban girl nicknased "Tota; " who was sent from Havana	
to Spain for the specific purpose of getting in contact with	

le requested to be put in contact with a representative of the Central Intelligence Agency who was thoroughly familiar with the Cuban situation and knowledgeable concerning the individuals involved in the plot.

NOTE: Above information contained in New York teletype dated 6/2/65, captioned, "Victor Domindador Espinosa Hernandez, Neutrality Matters; Internal Security = Cuba."

Bureau files indicate Espinosa in 1963 was involved in a plan to bomb Cuba. Our investigation of this plot, which was not a Central Intelligence Agency operation, resulted in seizure of over a ton of dynamite and other material to be used in making bombs.

Bureau files indicate Cubela has been previously contacted in Europe by Central Intelligence Agency possibly with a view towards taking some action against Cuban leaders.

Almeida Bosque may be identical with person serving as First Deputy Minister of the Cuban Revolutionary Armed Forces.

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FOLLOWING INFORMATION ... ESPINOSA RETURNED TO NEW YORK ON FIVE TWENTYNINE LAST AFTER SPENDIN WENTYSIX DAYS IN PARIS, WHERE HE WAS IN CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS IN PLOT TO ASSASSINATE FIDEL CASTRO AND LEADING CUBAN TRVOLVED ESPINOSA SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A MESSAGE GOVERNMENT PERSONALITIES. TO MEET IN FRANCE WITH ROLANDO CUBELA, WHO IS A LIFE LONG FRIEND OF ESPINOSA AND IS ALLEGED TO BE THE MAIN FIGURE IN THE PLOT. IS IDENTICAL WITH FORMER MAJOR ROLANDO L. CUBELA Y SEGADES. WHO IS AN INTIMATE FRIEND OF FIDEL CASTRO. ESPINOSA FURTHER STATED THAT HE CONFERRED IN PARIS FOR ABOUT TEN DAYS WITH ALBERTO BLANCO, WHO IS

CUBAN FORETN MINISTRY AND WAS ON AN INSPECTION

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URGING OF CUBELA, WHO HAS BEEN A LIFE-LONG FRIEND OF HIS. HE ALSO
STATED THAT INVOLVED IN THE PLOT WAS MAJOR JUAN ALMEIDA BOSQUE.
SPINOSA SAID THAT CUBELA HAD RESIGNED FROM THE ARMED FORCES OF CUBA
AND IS NOW PRACTICING MEDICINE AT THE CALIXTO GARCIA HOSPITAL IN
HAVANA AND HAS A HOME ADJACENT TO FIDEL CASTRO-S AT VARADERO
BEACH. ESPINOSA ALSO ADVISED THAT HE WAS IN SPAIN FOR ONLY ABOUT TWENTY
HOURS, WHERE HE CONTACTED OTHER CUBAN EXILES AND LEARNED THAT
WHO IS IN CHARGE WAS COGNIZANT TO A
CERTAIN DEGREE OF THIS PLOT, BUT THAT THE CUBANS DID NOT TRUST
BECAUSE THEY CLAIMED HE HAD BEENCOMPROMISED BY A CUBAN GIRL, WHOS
NICKNAME WAS "TOTA", WHO HAD BEEN SENT FROM HAVANA FOR THE SPECIFIC officer
PURPOSE OF GETTING IN CONTACT WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL IS
POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH

ESPINOSA ADVISED THAT THE PLOT CALLS FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF FIDEL CASTRO, RAUL CASTRO, ERNESTO "CHE" GUEVARA AND RAMIRO VALDES.

THE ASSASSINATION OF THESE INDIVIDUALS IS TO TAKE PLACE IN PUBLIC SO

THAT EVERYONE CAN SEE THAT THE LEADERS HAVE BEEN KILLED. THE PLOTTERS

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